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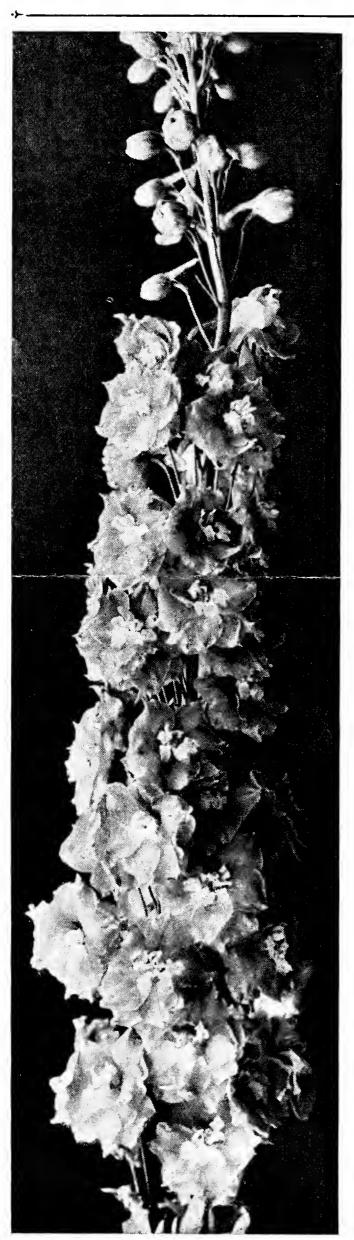
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# "WHEELER CROFT"

DELPHINIUMS . JAPANESE IRIS

VIOLAS



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The Heeler Croft delphinium are the result of ten years' experiment. with this beautiful, variable and enchanting flower—this gorgeous and generous beauty. Into their heredity went Wrexhams, Hoodacres, and the Blackmore and Langdon strains. The constant aim of the experimenter is to produce, by the most careful and scientific hand pollination, newer delphinium, distinguished for quality and size of bloom, vigor of growth, long and numerous spikes, with flowers held on long individual stems, giving a more graceful appearance, and numerous long, perfect side spikes. This aim has met with success. Spikes run from two feet to forty-two inches of actual flowers; individual florets are two to three and one-quarter inches; laterals are long, perfectly developed and very numerous. The large, fine centers are a flower in themselves. The colors are most beautiful, the shadings and variations being countless. All Wheeler Croft delphinium are most rigidly selected that none may be sold below the high standard set by the originator.

There are hand pollinated seed which hold the most wonderful prizes, waiting for a hand to set them in the ground.

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# WHEELER CROFT \* DELPHINIUM

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All WHEELER CROFT delphinium are classified into twelve divisions.

DAKOTA	APACHE ESKIMO		ZUGA CHA	BILOX NAVA:		PAWNEE
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Over 100 seeds, **\$1.00** 

special deliberation of special street by cuttings from reserve stock. \$1.00 for 1-year-old plants; \$2.00 for 2-year-old plants.

of form and color, larger, jewel-like

centers, and many laterals.

lavenders, with dark centers. Very soft yet striking. Lovely. Each.. 75c

**OTTAWA**. Double light blues and light

**NAVAJO.** Double, light blue, often with pink or lavender tones, with a

white, tan or yellow center. Many

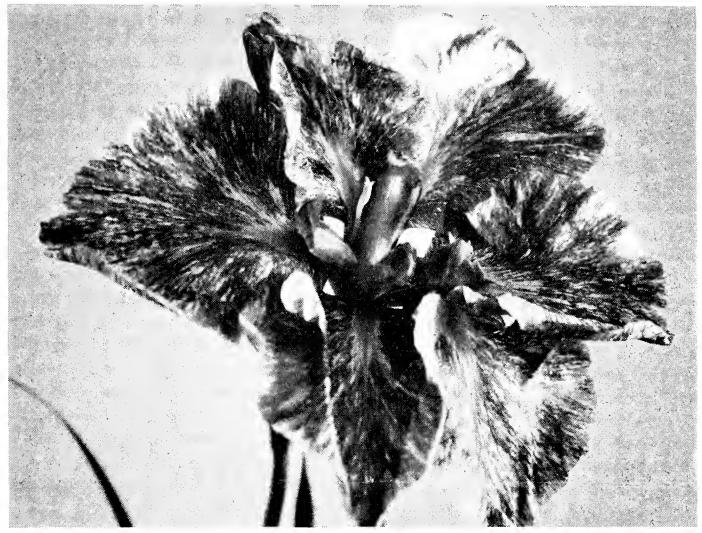
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## WHEELER CROFT **«** JAPANESE IRIS





JAPANESE IRIS KALIKO

NE of the loveliest flowers for the garden is Japanese Iris. They grow from twelve inches to around four feet, and the flowers vary from six inches to around ten and twelve in diameter but the very large ones often droop and do not give the effect of so great size. Many of them are perfectly flat and stay so.

They can be used in the garden in solitary clumps; in beds by themselves; in borders in front of lilies, delphiniums, and other tall perennials; around pools: and as landscape subjects, in masses of one color or carefully selected combinations of colors, always using plenty of each color. For the most beautiful effects. one color takes precedence over any combination. This is far more effective than a heterogenous collection of colors which is seldom to be recommended under any conditions. When the bloom is gone, they have still the beauty of the foliage which stays upright and green until late frost in October and November.

They can be used in all kinds of informal effects; in the most charming manner, they bring an unusual, appealing, and exquisite beauty to all kinds of locations.

But, they are the very essence of formality, Used as a frame for a formal pool, they are without a peer, They are so stately, formal, clear cut, and perfect that they lend grace, color and magnificence to a formal pool, They should be at least ten feet away on all sides, planted in straight or round beds, according to the shape of the pool, and used as a frame for the pool itself.

Japanese iris lend themselves to the most rigid and clear-cut formal garden and bestow upon it form, charm, a most delicate and enchanting beauty, an exquisiteness of texture, and a beauty that is gorgeous and imperious. Those large flowers, carried well above the foliage, on long stiff stems, that never need support, have a commanding air wherever they grow.

The colors run from the most lovely white to innumerable tones of lavender, blue and violet; from delicate mauve grey to mauve, rose, claret, royal purple; from palest orchids to lovely pinks; from palest blues, amethysts, Alice blues, to that deep dark purple with the blue black sheen upon it. And, too, others with veinings, splashings, borders of contrasting colors, bringing to the garden a beauty peculiar and individual unto themselves; gorgeous and richly colored, stately, strong, yet with a fragile and delicate loveliness.

These are native to the marshes. They like water and plenty of it, but they like it draining off the crown to the roots beneath. If it stands too long upon the crown, it will rot. In ordinary soil, plant two inches below the surface and mulch around that after the plant grows awhile. In sandy soil, four inches.

I do not grow mine near the water, but from the first of May until the end of July, I irrigate them thoroughly with a full stream from an open hose. In addition, I fertilize them well with bone meal and after cultivating is done in the spring I mulch the ground with seven to twelve inches of rotted leaves. This holds the moisture in the soil and keeps the weeds down. By fall it is pretty well worked into the ground. The iris love it. They like fertilizer; well-rotted barnyard manure and good commercial fertilizers.

Small clumps take from two to four years to give good bloom. Clumps sold by WHEELER CROFT, under the proper conditions, should bloom very well the second year from transplanting, that is, the following year.

Prices are for clumps.

WAVES ON	MOONLIGHT.	Six petals of
lovely cream	white, with a	vivid gold bar
in the throat	t of each one,	guarded by the
narrow cente	r ones of white,	it forms a per-
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- white with a blue mist upon them and ove all a silver sheen. White standards with a faint burgundy edge. One of the most beautiful of all iris. Each......\$1.00
- BLUE EDGE. A beautiful flat six-petaled flower of white with a quarter inch border of Alice blue. Each.................................50c
- **TRICOLOR.** Double, flat, very large flower of rose lavender. Good bloomer, vigorous grower; one of the best. Each......50c
- **KAGARABI.** Three large petals, heavily veined with red violet. Wide, beautiful gold bar, surrounded by deeper tone of red violet. The very outer edge of the petals is red lavender. Firm, heavy standards of red violet with a tiny pale edge. Each....\$1.00
- BETTY JEAN CHILDS. Three white petals, faintly splashed and veined phlox purple, a lovely shade of orchid. Deeper standards. Very charming. Each.........................50c

- HIS MAJESTY. Large, flat, six-peta'ed flower of deep, velvety blue, dark and rich. Narrow, vivid gold bar. Each.....\$1.00



carlton childs. Three wide white petals, veined deeply with phlox purple. Wide, pale gold bar. Purple phlox center. Unusual. Each	ELEANOR PARRY. Deep, dark, velvety mauve, clear color, lovely gold bar. Beautiful. Each
close of day. A late blooming deep, dark blue double, with a vivid gold bar, and a velvet sheen upon the newly opened flower. Flat, sturdy, perfect flowers. Medium height. Extra center petals of deepest blue, waved and twisted. Very beautiful. Each \$1	tiful pink orchid. Wide pale gold bar. Flat. Very unusual. Each\$1.00  FRANCES E. CLEVELAND. Three immense deficate blue petals, even color; very beautiful. Once seen, it is never forgotten. Each\$1.00
MRS. J. A. HAYDEN. A large, six-petaled flower, beautiful gold bar, surrounded by a white area. Wide azure blue border. Very attractive. Each	KATHERINE HAVEMEYER. Six petals of Alice blue with faint mauve veining and gorgeous vivid gold bar. Flat, very beautiful, like fine velvet. Very scarce. Each \$2
DREAM. Three enormous white petals, with the faintest of blue veining. Rose purple standards. One of the most beautiful Japanese iris in cultivation. Words do not really describe its true beauty. Each. \$1.00  KALIKO. An immense variegated grey blue double that is a very fine grower and most handsome. Late blooming and tall. Petals are horizontal and have a roll like Waves on Moonlight. Very fine. Each\$1.00  AZURE. Large, six-petaled, flat flower of palest orchid, with overtones of blue. Lovely gold bar. Edges of petals waved. Each	CHUTSAI. Three wide lavender colored velvet petals, clear, even color; very lovely. Each
<ul> <li>AYASI. Three wide petals, waved, white, with wide, pink border. Charming. Each 50c</li> <li>MT. HOOD. Six petals, deep blue, with a sheen of rose, beautiful gold bar, tufted center. Tall. Each</li></ul>	JOHN LEWIS CHILDS II. Single, white, lightly veined blue. High center petals delicate mauve and blue. Each50c  VAN HOSEN. Dull bluish violet, veined lilac pink. Pale yellow bar; standards lilac pink, edged with bluish violet. Each50c  KOMOCHI. Double, deep violet purple. Velvet petals. Beautiful. Each50c
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JAPANESE IRIS SEED. These seed are HAND POLLINATED. There is absolutely no comparison between hand pollinated seed and open pollinated seed. One is dependent upon all the science, skill and imagination of the experimenter, and the other is dependent upon the vagaries and casual meanderings of insects. Any one who has once used those highly selected and carefully pollinated seed whose plants will have larger and more perfect flowers, finer, newer and more exquisite colors, stronger growth, longer blooming period, and more double flowers, will never again use open pollinated seed. As a rule, growers keep these for themselves; they take so much time and trouble that few growers like to bother with them, in any quantity.

But WHEELER CROFT specializes in HAND POLLINATED SEED. Give them a trial. You will not be disappointed.

JAPANESE IRIS SEED. Over 100 seeds, \$1.00.

## VIOLAS

**VIOLAS**. One of the loveliest perennials. Easily grown, requiring little care, unregardful of frequent moving, blooming joyously and exuberantly from six to eight months of the year, these are among the loveliest flowers that can be grown in your gardens.

Violas are perfectly adapted for ground covers around lilies or any other tall perennial that has little foliage near the ground.

They are lovely in beds by themselves, in masses of one color; and in the hardy border, in front of the taller growing plants. They make a mass of one color that is a joy and a relief that one can have an ever-blooming flower that is so little trouble.

They make the most beautiful edgings along paths and around beds. During the season, I can look out of my window and see the wide ribbon of violet purple that my Jersey Jewel makes around my beds of Japanese Iris. Not the least of my joy is that it will be there until the heavy frost of fall. I have only to water them occasionally, pick them now and then, and enjoy them.

For rock gardens they are unexcelled. They are in bloom so long and make a wonderful mass of color when there is little else in bloom. They like sun and rather heavy soil, and a reasonable amount of water.

**MAGGIE MOTT**. Flowers over two inches across, of a most lovely lavender shade that is very uncommon. Beautiful cut flower. Each **35c**, \$3.00 per dozen.

JERSEY JEWEL. Compact in growth, vigorous in constitution, generous in bloom, a rich violet purple in color, with a velvet sheen upon the petals, it is one of the most gorgeous and lovely of violas. Flowers around two inches, on stems four to seven inches. Each 25c, \$2.00 per dozen.

**JERSEY GEM.** A most satisfactory viola. Large flowers of a pure violet, slightly perfumed, on long stems, from early spring to late fall. Lovely cut flower. Each **25c**, **\$2.00** per doz.

imperial blue. This is the most beautiful deep blue, with a vivid yellow eye, surrounded by a great blotch of blue black velvet. The flowers are a good two inches across and it blooms and blooms, early and late. It makes a most striking and lovely cut flower. Each 30c, \$3.00 per doz.

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## HEUCHERA

These are the daintiest, fairy-like flowers—Coral Bells—that rise from a mat of evergreen foliage to bloom in the spring and early summer. They make ideal edgings. They are the daintiest cut flowers, lending grace to any bouquet. Very easily grown in any good garden soil, in sunny locations.

Sanguinea and Rain of Fire mixed, each 25c, \$2.00 per dozen. Smaller plants, \$1.00 per dozen. (Small plants not sold in less than one dozen lots.)

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